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7 FAM 690 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

1. Changes:

- 7 FAM 691: The original sentence – “The strong protection of intellectual property is an important policy of the U.S. Government” – was changed to “The strong protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights is an important policy of the U.S. Government.”
 - Minor formatting and punctuation changes were made throughout.
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